To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2806 without my signature.

This bill would mandate that current homeowner association (HOA) board members and candidates running for a seat on a HOA board to provide information to the board indicating whether he or she has completed an educational course on the law of common interest developments. The bill would also require the HOA to include this information in the ballot materials for the board member election along with any other relevant education or qualifications the candidate wishes to make known.

While it is important to know a candidate's credentials and qualifications to sit on a HOA board, existing law already allows for such, making this bill unnecessary. The Davis Stirling Act requires that any HOA board candidate be given access to a HOA's media, newsletters or internet web site during an election cycle to provide opinions relevant to the running of the HOA and information about his or her qualifications. This bill creates an unnecessary redundancy.

For this reason, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger